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SRI R. KRISHNAN :—" May I know the percentage of Harijan Members on these Committees and the expenditure incurred on the Committees? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" I should like to have notice."

SRI K. VENKAIAH :—" అయ్యా, ఈ కమిటీలలో అధికారులు, అనధికారులు సభ్యులుగా ఉన్నారని చెప్పారు. ఈ కమిటీలు పనిచేయడంలో ప్రత్యేకంగా వీటియొక్క సిఫార్సు ప్రభుత్వముమీద ఏ రకమైన ఫలితము కలుగజెయ్యదని చెప్పుతున్నాను. అలాంటప్పుడు ఆ కమిటీలు దేనికి పనిచేస్తున్నాయి? ఎన్ని జిల్లాలలో ఈ కమిటీలు సక్రమంగా పూర్తి కోరముతోటి సమావేశము అవుతున్నాయని అడుగుచున్నాను."

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" ప్రభుత్వము మీద ఈ కమిటీ యొక్క recommendations నిర్బంధమా (binding) అని అడిగితే లేదని చెప్పానే తప్ప వీరియొక్క recommendations ఆలోచనలోకి తీసుకోబడవని చెప్పలేదు."

SRI M. JAGANNATHAN :—" In view of the answer given by the Hon. Minister that the recommendations of the Harijan Welfare Committees are not binding on the Government, I am afraid that some of the useful suggestions made by them are likely to be brushed aside by the Government. Therefore, may I request the Hon. Minister to make the recommendations of these Committees mandatory upon the Government? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" In every case, the recommendations have been given and will be given full consideration. It is not necessary that every recommendation should be mandatory on the Government."

SRI K. VENKAIAH :—" నేను ఇందాక అడిగిన ప్రశ్న ఏమిటంటే, ఎన్ని జిల్లాలలో ఈ కమిటీలు పూర్తి కోరముతోటి, ఒకసారికూడ ఆపకుండా, సమావేశాలు జరుపుతున్నాయని అడిగాను. ఎందువల్లననగా ఈ కమిటీలయొక్క సిఫార్సులు అధికారులమీద, ప్రభుత్వముమీద చాలా తక్కువ ఫలితము ఉండడంవల్ల వాటి సిఫార్సులకు విలువ లేకుండటంవల్ల అవి సమావేశముకావడం లేదనే అనుమానం ఉన్నది. అందువల్ల ఎన్ని జిల్లాలలో ఈ కమిటీలు సక్రమంగా సమావేశమాతున్నాయో తెలవిస్తారా? "

THE HON. DR. M. V. KRISHNA RAO :—" As regards the number of committees that met with or without quorum and the number that attended the meeting, I require notice to get the information."

Tanjore Cyclone Relief Fund.

* 154 *Q.*—SRI S. VEMIAH : Will the Hon. the Minister for Land Revenue be pleased to state—

(*a*) what is the amount of donations towards the Tanjore Cyclone Relief Fund;

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(*b*) what is the amount that has been advanced by the Government to the people affected by the cyclone;

(*c*) what was the amount of money that was collected during 1949–50 towards the relief measures of Andhra cyclone; and

(*d*) what is the unspent amount of the collections under (*a*) and (*c*) now in the State?

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" (*a*) Rs. 5,56,208–1–10. This represents the total collections up to 4th March 1953.

" (*b*) The following amounts were allotted :—

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Tanjore district	4,80,000
Tiruchirappalli district	48,000

" (*c*) Information regarding the amount collected for the Governor's Andhra Cyclone Fund in 1940–50 is not readily available. The total collections to the Fund up to date is Rupees 8,87,032–1–0.

" (*d*) The following are the balances available :—

The Madras State Cyclone Relief Fund, Rs. 19,748–11–4.

The Governor's Andhra Cyclone Relief Fund, Rs. 2,309–5–3."

SRI S. VEMIAH :—" May I know the reasons for this sum remaining unspent?"

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" Evidently the hon. Member refers to the Andhra Cyclone Relief Fund. We have spent almost all the money, and the balance is only Rs. 2,000 and odd."

SRI S. RAMALINGAM :—" கவர்னர் புயல் நிவாரண நிதியிலிருந்து பணத்தை எடுத்து எந்தெந்த முறையில் செலவழிக்கப்பட்டது ? ஜில்லா அதிகாரிகளின் மூலமா அல்லது தனிப்பட்டவர்கள் மூலமா ? "

THE HON. SRI M. A. MANICKAVELU NAICKER :—" The amount was spent through the District Collectors. Relief was given to fishermen, to the coconut-tree growers who lost their trees, to people who lost their huts, for the construction of schools and in so many other ways."

SRI K. VINAYAKAM :—" Does the total collection figure given by the Hon. Revenue Minister include the collections made by Dravida Kazhagam and Dravida Munnetra Kazhagam towards the Cyclone Relief Fund?"

THE HON. SRI C. RAJAGOPALACHARI :—" They have not sent it to us."

Kundipuzha Electricity Scheme.

* 159 *Q.*—SRI K. C. GOPALAN UNNI : Will the Hon. the Minister for Public Works be pleased to state—

(*a*) when the investigation of the Kundipuzha Electricity Scheme was started; and

(*b*) what is the total amount spent so far on the scheme?